



# Housing Authority of Cochise County

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February 12, 2013

Cochise County Government  
1415 Melody Lane, Building G  
Bisbee, Arizona 85603

RE: Community Development Block Grant Funds (CDBG)

Dear Cochise County Board of Supervisors:

The Housing Authority of Cochise County (HACC) has been conducting Emergency Home Repairs for low-income households since 1998. Through the considerations of the Cochise County Government and the Board of Supervisors of Cochise County, we have been able to assist over 50 low-income families in creating a healthy and safe environment for them to live through the use of CDBG funds.

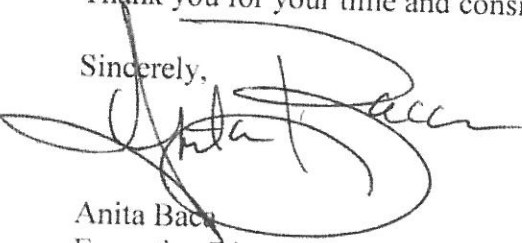
The Housing Authority of Cochise County is respectfully requesting \$170,000.00 from the Cochise County Government Community Development Block Grant funds to conduct owner-occupied Emergency Home Repairs on a minimum of 5 residences. Preferences are given to the elderly, disabled or families with children under 18 years of age. A maximum of \$25,000.00 will be expended on each residence to correct immediate health and safety issues for low-income residents. Examples of these repairs would be roofing, plumbing, heating and cooling, foundations, health and sanitation issues.

The Housing Authority of Cochise County teamed up with the Planning and Zoning Department will be responsible for all aspects of these projects and ensure that all work meets current code. Our involvement includes application intake, scope of work, out to bid documents, bid award and contracts; progress inspections, final inspection, and pay requests. We are respectfully requesting \$25,920.00 in Administration fees to cover Grant related expenses such as accounting services, office supplies and payroll for the Administrative Coordinator and Executive Director. The total amount of funds we are requesting is \$170,000.00.

On behalf of our Board of Commissioners, staff, and most importantly, families served, I offer my heart-felt thanks for your past and present support. We hope to continue our partnership so together we can make a difference in the lives of those who need us the most.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

  
Anita Baca  
Executive Director

## Board of Commissioners

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# Elfrida Water Improvement District

January 22, 2013

Lisa Marra, Grants Administrator

Dear Ms. Marra:

Attached please find supporting documents regarding our application for the CDBG funds.

Elfrida Domestic Water Users was established in 1952 and has operated continuously since that time. In 2010 the department became a water district, serving approximately 750 residents. Many of the residents are elderly, living principally on Social Security, and many others are living below the poverty line. Elfrida has been established as a Colonia.

The department obtained a WIFA loan to drill a new well in 2002 and payments are being made on that. However, the original storage tank, which is rusting out, the lines and most of the meters have been in use since 1952/1960. These meters do not accurately measure the water usage and the district loses approximately 25% of the water pumped each month. This district cannot afford to upgrade this equipment without assistance.

Your consideration in funding these projects will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Michael J Coyle, Jr  
Manager.

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February 12, 2013

Bowie Water Department  
113 S. Eisenhower Avenue  
Bowie, AZ 85605  
520-847-2422

Subject: Community Development Block Grant  
request for project funding.

Presented to: Cochise County Board Of Supervisors  
Work Session

Project: Critical needs for Bowie Water Department.

Dear Cochise County Board Of Supervisors,

On behalf and with the permission of the Bowie Water Company Board I have been given the liberty to present to you the water departments need of equipment and upgrades to the utility. As well as provide information as needed to present to the Cochise County Board at the February 12<sup>th</sup> workshop. I believe you will agree Bowie is in desperate need of this funding.

**Demographics:**

Bowie water is a non-profit, unincorporated utility located in the Northeastern corridor of Cochise County. As of this writing there are currently 265 water customers who depend on the safe and regular delivery of Bowie water. There are approximately 333 potential customers in total. Bowie water customers do not have a sewer system.

As the utility ages into almost 75 years of providing water, old galvanized pipes continue to be a constant repair nightmare for the one man repair team Bowie has on -call. Manual digging is the only form of equipment the utility has in getting to these blow outs and they are more and more frequent as the utility ages. Regular daily maintenance is required to manually operate the pump that fills the supply tank.

**Project Needs:**

Bowie water is asking for this grant to help the utility with the funds for some much needed replacement parts and repairs to its main water tank as well as some upgrades. Modern excavating equipment and a utility truck. Air compressor, inverter style generator, wastewater pump and a self-priming pump, new schedule 40 pipe and connection saddles. Bowie water has many non-working meters that need replaced and all of its customer meters need to be upgraded. Also needed are 5 new hydrants.

Bowie water realizes this is a huge request, but are hopeful that this grant request be considered as a high priority.

Accompanying this request is a breakdown of the approximate costs involved.

Respectfully,

Modestina Frascella